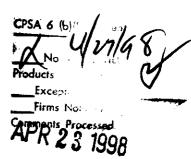
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SUBJECT: Flammable Fabrics Act Task Force

PLACE: CPSC Headquarters - Room 410 - Bethesda, MD

DATE: March 10, 1998 **TIME:** 1:00 PM

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SUMMARY OF MEETING:

The Flammable Fabrics Act Task Force is developing a program which would help assure that garments sold in the U.S. are in compliance with the Standard for the Flammability of Clothing Textiles 16 C.F.R. 1610.

The meeting began with Alan Schoem providing a brief history of the recent clothing textile flammability problems that have resulted in 21 recalls since 1994. He summarized the benefits (no civil penalties) of participating in a voluntary program and stated that if this did not work, CPSC could step up enforcement of the FFA and continue to seek substantial civil penalties.

Mike Lemov stated that the scope(types of fabrics included) of the program needs to be limited to only those where CPSC has had problems.

Kay Villa summarized the ASTM training course that will be offered on June 16th in the Manhattan area. She stated that the brochures will be out soon and that this will be a one day course with a cost of approximately \$375. She mentioned that the course will be taught by Rex Schad a well known flammability consultant.

The group then began to discuss the benefits of a pledge program vs. a policy statement. Many participants believed the 14 tests of the same fabric in each color was excessive. The question of lot size vs. number of tests was raised. There were suggestions to amend 16 C.F.R. 1610 because it is too confusing as currently written. There were other suggestions to incorporate sampling plans as used in the children's sleepwear regulations. There were other suggestions that staff should go

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back to the reasonable and representative testing requirements that are currently published in 16 C.F.R. 1611. Participants were not in agreement whether or not colors caused differences in flammability.

It was agreed that we would revise the program and meet at 1:00pm on April 7th at CPSC. CPSC offered to revise the pledge/policy program. Larry Martin offered to revise the testing program. Mike Lemov offered to narrow the scope of fabrics. All of these revisions are to be faxed to participants by April 1st.

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